LOYAL WOMĄN'S WORK

The Household, Conversation Club, Puzzles, etc.

> The Happy Household. THINKING ABOUT CHRISTMAS.

As Christmas is drawing near, I wish some of the C. C. would give us some new ideas as to making presents for the holidays. And don't let us forget the soldiers' children that are not so highly favored as we are. You know it takes but very little to make children happy, and by each one of us doing a little we can add very much to the happiness of many of the dear little ones. -Meda Plympton, West Decatur, Pa.

CHRISTMAS PLUM PUDDING. HAPPY HOUSEHOLD: I send you my recipe for making a plum pudding. I think it very good and hope you will. Four eggs; one half pound of suct. chopped fine; one pound of raisins, stoned and chopped; one pound of currants; one-half pound ron; one pound of sugar; one nutmeg; flour or bread crumbs enough to make a very stiff batter. Tie loosely in a cloth, allowing room to swell, and boil for seven hours. To be eaten with rich sauce. This quantity is enough for two small puddings,-Carrie M. Godfrey, Dayton, O.

PRETTY HANDKERCHIEF HOLDER. FRIENDS OF THE C. C.: I nm going to tell you how to make a presty present in shape of a handkerchief holder. Take a large linen handkerchief told each corner to center; tie a ribbon bow in the upper right-hand corner and another one in lower ieft-hand corner; then connect the two points down from the upper right hand bow and the two corners up from the lower left hand. If you follow directions carefully you will have two pockets for

I am making a Friendship Cane, and I would like all those who wish, to send me one-half yard of ribbon about one-half inch wide. You can buy it here for 4 cents a half yard. I then work your monogram on it and tie it on the cane. I will exchange erochet patterns for the ribbon, or will exchange patterns for fancy work,-Violet Wilson, Box 586, Sagimaw, Mich. BAKING POWDER AND BLUING.

tried and true. I have used the baking powder for a long time and found it reliable. The bluing is good and will not streak the ciothes. Buking Powder.-One onnee of tartarie acid, five ounces bicarbonate soda, five ounces of flour, eight ounces of cream of tartar; sift several times, that the ingredients may become thoroughly mixed; keep in airtight cans. Get all the above ingredients of a reliable droggist and your powder will be purer and as good as any in the market. Try it. Bluing.-Take 3 cents worth of oxalic acid and 10 cents worth Prussian blue; dissolve in one quart of hot water. It is much cheaper and better than the box bluing sold in the stores.-Mrs. Mary Helman, York, Pa. Editor's Chat.

Leora McCalley's address is now Box 344, Independence, Buchman Co., Iowa. Harry's story will soon be forthcoming.

Grace Gardner, 4730 Penn street, Frankford, Pa., a great admirer of the C. C., would be happy to receive letters to cheer her convalescence from a severe fliness.

Mamie Mitchell would like some of the C. C. to write a story. Why does not Mary write one? Abble Dorman, Minnie Brant, Mamie Mitchell, Mabel E. Best, Minnie E. Askins, Emily 1, King, Vickie Green, Kathie McConnell and others who hesitate, may be sure of a C. C. welcome.

Edgar E. Sampson, Joliet, Ill. Annie Marsh Williams writes: "Little Gracle's

chair fund is gaining. I have received several more mites toward it. Cripple Farry will keep you posted as to a ho and how much cach give. I send their addresses to him. I must tell you, too, that while on the rocks at Swampscott, Beach Oct. 6, I assure Fou." Warmest sympathies for the sorrowing ones, in-

cluding Ella Pheisn and Leora McCalley: W. A. McKec, Box 572 Creston, Iowa; Annie Marsh Williams, Saugus, Mass; Ella F. Kenney, Redwood Rose, Florassant, Coloq Inez Woodruff, Black Hawk, Colo.; Willie O. Johnson, Schoener Point, Ind.; Matte E. Young; Ida B. Lauterman, Wetzell, | ing a stump with request for reply. Mich.; Edwin R. Lerch, Eric, Pa.; Eva T. Pryor,

Fules of the Club .- L. Write briefly, 2. Write only on one side of the paper. 3. Write to the point, 4. Write on one subject. 5. Write your best, 6 Send answers to all puzzles for use of Editor. Each week the rapics of those writing the best lettersstyle, composition, spelling, penmanship and genof this column on the Honor Roll. First honor will include all of these requirements. Second honor will include a deliciency in some one point. No others will be animed.

HONOR BOLL-BEST LETTERS. First Honor - Nellie Beach, Bushville, Ind.; Grace Gardner, Frankford, Pa. Second Honor-A. G. Richmond, New Richmond W. Va.; Abbie Dorman, Logan, Iowa; Mamie M. Mitchell, Burington, Vt.; Elesnora D. Letter, Hondo City, Tex.; Minnie Askins, Elida, O. SEARCHEES AND SOLVERS.

Mrs. George Danforth, Newton's Corner, N. Y., 8; Lois Gashill, South Wilson, N. Y., 3; Eda Metumar, Deer Creek, Mich., 7; Estella G. Williams, Derry, Kun., 3; E. M. Tinkham, Springfleid, Mass., 7; Bose Colby, Wesley, Iowa, 3; Mrs. Mary A. Swailow, 5; Charles W. Gast, 4; Cena C. Poe, 4; Minnie C. Bowisby, Winterset, Iowa, 4; Mamie C. Burke, Rosebank, N. Y., 7; Aunie Marsh Williams, Saugus, Mass. 9; Mac Martin and Matic Shoff, Wymore, Nob., 5; Capt. W. Shelman, Dennysville, Me., 3; Clara Spangle, Norristown, East Tenn., 1; Bertha Lane, Lakeview, Mich., 3; James E. Aiger, Annie R. Alcuera, Fall River, Mass., 6; Andrew F. Campbell, Richmond, Wis., L.

OUR ROLL CALL-GREETINGS. Jesse A. Thomas, Madison, Ind.; Josie Beler, Hersburg, Pa.; Mand Frasier, New Chester, O.; Elia McKenney, Redwood Falls, Minn., 16, lives on a prairie; Frances W. G. Keler, Andersonville, Ind.; George H. Osterstuck, Olean, N. Y., farmer boy and S. of V.; Minnie Brant, Box 44, Eureka, Ill. Abbie Dorman, Logan, Iowa, daughter Co. E. San | practical benefit of an author's thought. Hil; Cyrus Wood, Auburn, Cal., son H5th Hl., a plasterer and Harrison boy, will answer questions on his State; Mrs. Clara R. Cable, Battle Creek, Mich., daughter of the late Comrade W. D. Rhoades, 28th Mich.; Endora and May Bell, Auburndale, O.: Mamie M. Mitchell, Burdington, Vt.; Emma C. Dubbs, Mabel E. Best, Anistradale, O.; Jesse M. Beeman, Assumption, Ill.; Mollie Jarvis, Goshen, owa, soldier's daughter and teacher, 18; Minnie E. Askins, Eida, O.; Nellie Beach, Box 598, Rush-ville, Ind.; ida B. Lauterman, Wetzell, Mich.; Hattie Metice, Troy, N. H.; Josie Johnson, Washington Courdiouse, O., daughter Co. I, 54th Ohio; Emily I. King; W. Carl Frost, Wakeup, O.; Vickie Green, Toledo, Iti.: Everett M. Waterhouse, Center street, Portland, Me., S. of V., Ernest Kerns, Ola, Ark., Leona Parker, Amaton, Wis. soldier's daughter; Andrew W. Campbell, Richmond, O., son Co. F. 49th Wis.; Rosse N. Judd, Ashland, Mich.; Nillie Shultz, Lewis, Iowa, daughter Co. D. 21th Onio; Will T. Newland, S. of V. Platismouth, Neb.; Clarence J. Ferguson, Victory, Wis.; Grace Gordon, Frankfort, Pa.; Kattle Mc-Connell, 2821 Farrell street, Chicago, Ill., veter-an's daughter, 16; Nellie Grant M. Irons, Toledo, Clarke does not answer my letter? Will someone lows; Gyp Warner, Prairie Depot, O., daughter Co. G. 72d Ohio; Annie Hoyt and Sylvester and Mrs. Keeler, veteran and wife, South Norwalk, Harbor, Mich. Conn.; Edgar C. Sampson, Joliet, Ill., veteran's son; Victor Enrlywine, Opolio, Kan. Total, 5,151.

JOHN JAMES'S CONMENDATION. FRIENDS OF THE C. C. Although a shade of sadness may be seen over the C. C. lately, we have so high as to be worthy of an epic. Then, Clio, why not give us a grand cpic or a vision that may allure us from our recent sadness and recall a few joys of vanished days? If I do not breed contempt by my familiarity with the name, may I suggest Miss Annie's marriage as worthy to "adorn a tale "? Your idea in regard to discussing what we read is a wise one, for many might be encouraged to read merely from the description given by different writers. Nor is it necessary to read everything to be well read. To wade through the poetry of the immuculate Mr. Southey or the navels of Mr. Haggard, would be a task that even Zeno himself would despuir of doing. - John James.

A TERRUTE TO HARRY D. MCCALLEY. Gently, how gently departed his breath. No anguish or grief pervading his breast; Sweetly, how sweetly, he slumbers in death, Wearing the smile of the pure and the blest.

Sofily, trend sofily, where shrouded be lies, Lowly r. hearsing the joys that have fled; Calmly, breathe calmly, affection's fond sigh, As sciennly tolls the knell of the dead!

Stilly, ab, stilly, the bler moves apace, Slowly descends the corpse to the tomb;

Sweetly, how sweetly, death slumbers embrace Keath flowers of light that o'er thee shall bloom. Humbly, ob, humbly, then yield the caressed, Banish all sorrow, O, breathe not a sigh,

His spirit has gone to the home of the blest, And happy is be forever on high.

-Mattie E. Young, Railroad Postoffice, Pa.

PLOWERS OF NEBRASKA. DEAR C. C. FRIENDS: In reading the interesting | would have enough to get rooms and food for the tter from Minggie McClung describing the flowers | poor persons she speaks of, and we would not miss of Kansas, I noticed their sanilarity to those of this section of Nebreska. The pink flower which so much good; for we are taught. "Inasmuch as ye much resembles the merning-glory in shape, although the plant is so different from the morninggiory vine, grows plentifully in the Pine Creek Canyon, east of here, and on the upland around it. The soap-plant, or yucca, as I more often hear it | pute arose in our school about the above question, called, also grows abundantly in sandy places. There are three varieties of cactus found here. The ball cactus is small and, as the name signifies,

covered with long, tough spines, which sometimes penetrate through heavy leather. The blossoms are large, and of a rich yellow color. The cater-

offlar cactus resembles this one, but is not more than one-fourth as large. Beside the others which Maggie named, we have the vetch, a kind of pea flower, of a beautiful rosecolor shading into purple, or sometimes white and rose-colored. The wild roses, too, are worthy of mention, being of every tint from white to bright red. Then there are beard-tongues, white, red, blue and purple, and many others too numerous to mention.-Carrie A. Freeman, Ainsworth, Neb. "MOUNTAIN HOOSIER'S" VISIT.

FEIENDS OF THE C. C.: How many of you renemter "Mountain Hoosier" after a two years' absence? But few, I suspect, from the fact that but few of the familiar names in the C. C. of two years ago are the familiar names of to-day. THE NA-TONAL TEDUCKE is like unto a grand monument, before which the C. C. army is marching; each one stopping to inscribe his name underneath an arti-ele of his own production. Then, handing the pen to the one who in turn follows him, he steps aside; and it is not until then that he realizes that he is an actor in the arena of a mighty amphitheater. Around him is a sea of youthful, intelligent faces, dl eagerly reading what he has written; and, when they have finished, if his productions have proved to be original, entertaining and instructive, they all m unison exciaim, "Write again!" again! But, if his productions have not proven to be original or entertaining, he is let pass silently out of the arena to take his seat among the thousands of speciators. Thus it is that a select few have been called upon from time to time, and are still with us, laboring for our edification. But, friends, do not despond; get in line and foward again,-E, E. Wimer, Crawford, Va.

A GLIMPSE OF CALIFORNIA. FEIENDS OF THE C. C.: As you all know, Caliornia is a very large State, and inside its boundaries is found a great diversity of climate and products, so that a description of one place rarely applies to any other. Here, at Oceanside, 42 miles orthwest of San Diego, the city of "bay 'n' elimate," and about twice that distance southeast of Los Angeles, we have a delightfully mild climate warm in Winter and cool in Summer-and, best of all, no cyclones or severe thunderstorms.

Tea roses, calla-lilies, geraniums, passion-flowers

and other green-house plants in the East, grow year after year uninjured by frost. Nearly all kinds of fruit, from the apple and other hardy fruits to the banana, pineapple and citrus fruits are raised in this vicinity, while the raisin grape Happy Housemoun: The following recipes are grows to perfection on the sunny hillsides, and fig. office, prune and aprient are produced in bundance. Yet, with all these, many people in the East who think this all a land of trees and flowers, a land which "blossoms as the rose, would be disappointed could they see the vast tracts of land which for about two-thirds of the year are clothed only with short, dry grass, or a growth of sage-brush, cactus or chaparrai. This is not because the land will produce nothing else, but because this region is comparatively new, and its natural resources are undeveloped.

San Diego County is larger than several of the Eastern States, and contains thousands—yes, millions—of acres in which there has never been a furrow turned. Within its borders are a number of largeranchos, or old Mexican grants, of which the Santa Margarita, comprising 144,000 acres, is the largest. It is owned by J. C. Flood, of San Francisco, the "Bonanza King." The southern corner of this rancho is the northern boundary of Oceanside, which is a town of more than a thousand inhabitants, and growing rapidly. It is beautifully located on a broad, high mesa, sloping toward the ocean, and bases its claims for future greatness on its productive "back country" and its prospects as rativoud center, having three railroads now, with

a prospect of more. To filustrate the march of progress in the far West, I must tell you that the land on which our town is built was taken under the homestead law six years ago, and at that time San Diego was but a town, while at present it claims about 30,000 in-Congratulations for Annie Marsh Williams: Ab- motor roads, electric lights and all that goes to Beller, Millersburg, Pa. For best postal autoble Dorman, Logan, Iowa; Lora E. Seabolt, Senn- | make up a modern city. Its prosperity is due, to a dia, Kan.; Mattie E. Young; Ora Annie Kost, great extent, to its splendid harbor, whose "silver Adrian, Mich.; Virginia Savery, Courtland, Ill.; some future letter I will tell you of points of intergate" is entered by the ships of many nations. In Ida B. Lauterman, Weizell, Mich.; Fitz Nutter, est in our "back country," having tried in this to Worthington, W. Va.; W. Carl Frost, Wakeup, O.; found it impossible to answer personally.-Eva E, Grate, Oceanside, Cal.

INVALID-LIFTER. DEAR TRIBUNE: I am a helpless paralytic, unable to moven hand or foot without help, and have been for two years and a half. I had written to all the principal chair-makers of the country (includpicked a indi dozen wild ruscs-a treat for me, I | ing helps for invalids), to try and see if I could procure an invalid-liner, but fidled in every sinde Instance. They not only had none for sale, out never heard of such an appliance of the kind. But there is such a thing to be had. I have one, and money would be no inducement for me to part Falls, Minn.; Abbie Dorman, Logan, Iowa; Sarah | with it. I heard of and got mine through Mr. Charles Tallmadge, Meadon, Monroe County, N.Y. Price \$50. Any one can learn all about it by send-

It takes one out of bed and places him in a chair Providence, R. I.; Hettie M. De Vinny, South | with but little trouble and lifting and straining Erin, N. Y., W. Karl Frost, Walkoup, O.; Rosie N. one's nurse. Mrs. Sherwood's remarks in The Judd, Ashiand, Mich.; C. W. Gast, Chaten, Iowa; NATIONAL TRIBUNE about giving aid and comfort Cens U. Post. Dixon, Bl.; Mamie C. Burke, Rose- to the veterans struck me forcibly, and I contribute what took me two years to learn, and would give my mite towards buying one for some veteran Mr. Tallmadge, through whom I ordered my Lifter, is not in any way interested in putting them on the market, only for the benefit of those who need it. He is the unfortunate possessor of a machine, and lets no opportunity pass of doing what good he may,-G. J. Drake, Brighton, N. J.

OUR BOOK CIRCLE. FRIENDS OF THE C. C.: A vast amount has been said of favorite authors, but nothing yet concerning the manner of reading their works. If the Editor will permit, I will give my plan of reading. But first let me drop a few words of advice to our riends. Choose for your perusal only such works as are considered standard; such as Longfellow, Whittier, Shakspere or Byron among the poets; Scott, Dickens, Cooper and Hawthorne among the novelists. By reading the works of such authors as these we gain a clearer insight of the beautiful

First, upon taking up a work for perusal, pay special attention to the preface, which is the pre-lude to the author's thoughts. Then take up the subject as presented by the author, read it carefully, and never under any consideration without a dictionary, for reference to words of which you do not know the meaning, by your side. Do not read for the story alone, but rather for the lesson contained in the story. I have found it a very common fault with the inspority of readers to unterly disregard the thought, and read for the story alone.

Friends, let us read carefully the products of great minds, whereby we may gain many valuable essons that in future will prove a lasting benefit to ourselves. Do not read carelessly, but study the thought as you read; and I assure you that great and lasting results will reward you for the effort put forth. Further, if there are notes in connection with the work, do not pass them by, but read them carefully. They are not put in simply to full up the space, but for a better object-that of giving us a greater conception of what we read. It is not how much we read, but how well, that gives us the

I have been a constant reader for the past two years, devoting my leisure hours in that pleasant occupation, which enlarges and strengthens the aind. During that time I have gleaned enough motations to make a small volume. The thoughts gleaned from fields by others sown" are very recions, and are the source of great pleasure as I ook back over the works which I have perused. To those who never make extracts from the writings of others, I would say commence at once to de so. You will find it both a pleasant and a profitable exercise. As you go along do not fail to study character. You will also flad this very interesting. I would hear from the C. C. on this subject by letter or Tribune.-Harry St. John, Plainfield, O.

CLUB WHISPERS. Will someone please tell me who Cripple Harry is; also about the invalid's chair, as I should like to know? Has anyone seen anything of a person called Rip Van Winkle? He has been missing for some time, and we have been hoping (it seems in vain) that he would put in an appearance, but as he don't seem to be so inclined, we will have to please send me the rules for the postage-stamp firtation?—Grace A. Johnson, Box 66, Benton How many of the C. C. friends have been called

on to part with a dear grandpa? Those who have will know how I feel while I try to write. My grandpa, W. F. Adams, was a veteran of the 1070 Pa., but he has answered to the last roll-eall. We and on Tuesday a dear uncle followed him. He ing Parameters's sacred bill to revive our drooping spirits. First we have Caio Harper, whose grateful ind been a helpless cripple for over five years. Oh, what a lonely nouse! Dear granding is sick, and what a lonely induce! Dear granding is sick, and what a lonely induce! could not attend either funeral. Kind friends, can you sympathize with us in this our double bereavement? Your sad C. C. friend-Florence Adams, Lovelton, Pa.

I consider the C. C. an excellent medium through which the soldiers' sons and daughters may become acquainted with each other, and have received many amusing and instructive ideas from it.-Lulu M. Biack, Pawlet, Vt. I am about to make a short visit to my grand-

parents, taking my little brother with me. As I am the eldest of six living children, I keep house for my father, my mother having been dead over a year. I would be pleased to exchange recipes with the H. H. and C. C. I enjoyed Arthur Sinclair's sketch of the Cascades very much. Would like to correspond with Annie Marsh Williams,-Dora Romesburg, Huntsville, Mo. I move that we, as a Club, give a vote of thanks

o Lydia P. Day and Frances Wilson for the excellent papers they have given us from time to time I know that I speak in behalf of the C. C. when I say we all appreciated them. Arthur Sinclair, I hope you will give us some more leaves out of your diary.-Elia Morse, Odell, Ill. I am an invalid. Have not been able to do any work for six months. When asleep is the only time I am without pain. I get so lonesome, with nothing to take up my time. I have read and re-read all books and papers I can get. Will some members of the C. C. please send me some books, magazines

or papers, which would be gladly accepted, read, and returned with many thanks.-Augusta L. George, Luke Chute, O. I hope all will comply with Annie Wood's appeal in Kelief Corps column of Oct. II, for the poor blind woman and invalid husband. If each one of the C. C. should send five cents to Miss Wood she the small amount, and at the same time be doing are numbered"!! And the struggle against

What would become of a ball if dropped into a hole bored through the center of the earth? A disand I would be pleased to know,-George Scott, To the one who will change 50 cents in the most round. The biossom is red, and grows out of the | different ways I will have his subscription to The | the disease,

top of the eactus. The prickly-pear cactus is the largest variety found here. It has broad, flat leaves, covered with long, tough spines, which sometimes ways in which you have made the changes.—J. F. Rijey, Box 63, Morrison, Mo. I have read the leiters of the Conversation Club for a long time, and find them very interesting, and also very instructive. As the latchstring always hangs | Some Practical Suggestions for Our out I enter, hoping to find a warm welcome and become one of the many members of our grand Club.-Effle Buffington, Box 13, Luctor, Kan. I have just returned from a visit in southwestern Kansas, and agree with Maggie McClung when she says there are so many beautiful flowers grow there. I saw some of nearly every kind she mentioned, besides many other varieties which I thought as pretty. Why do not more teachers Come again, Arthur L. Sullivan.-Josie Rogers,

TO EXCHANGE-WANTED.

To Exchange: Magazines and books for teachregiment (70th Ind.) for other Reunion badges.las. Boardman, Wabash, Ind. Ten foreign stamps for every match, medicine or document stamp. Chase Newman, Portland, Mich. One hundred and fifty foreign stamps for every nickel without the word "cents."-Thorn Smith, Box 70, Portland, Mich. Birds' eggs for specimens.-Miles T. Hurl-bert, Portland, Mich. Language of flowers and 889.—Edwin R. Lerch, Erie, Pa. Four years Sat urday Night, novels, etc., for other reading .- C. H. Darwell, St. Paris, O. Pair Barnay & Berry clamp kates for printing press or cariosities .- J. Cisher, 23 North Front street, West New Castle, Pa. A magic lantern and 38-caliber bull-dog revolver for a cornet, horn or good rifle; photographs with soldiers' sons and daughters.—Will T. Randolph, Box 329, Cameron, Neb. "Jessie's Flirtations" and other stories for "Monte Christo."-Mrs. George Danforth, Newton's Corners, N.Y. Good exchange for copies of THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE containing my name.—Capt, Will H. Sheahan, Dennysville, Me. "Curfew Shall Not Ring" for "Dying Girl's Message,"—Eliza Wheaton, Eagle's Corners, Wis. Postal autographs with C. C.; particularly children of Co. F, 20th Mich.; like my C. C, badge.—Clara Cooper, Attica, O. Cabinets or photographs with girls,-Helra Alma, New Boston, Ill. Postal -Bertha Lane, Lakeview, Mich.

Wanted, songs: "White Wings," "Strolling on the Sea Shore," etc.-Will H. Sheahan, Lock Box lever Touch Mine, etc.; letters from all parts U. -Wallace Moore, Weston, O. Florence Adams know I am waiting autograph.-C. W. Lambert,

Letters: With sons and daughters of veterans .-Isaac D. Cook, Lock Box 2, Dennysviile, Me. Vith young ladies,-Arthur Caxton, Audubon, Iowa; Ladies from 35 to 40.—Jesse A. Thomas, vet-eran widower of 40, Box 670, Madison, Ind. W. A. McKee, Box 672, Creston, Iowa, With the C. C.; would also receive postal autographs.—Frances W. J. Kaler, Andersonville, Ind. With gentlemen.— Annie Clark, Annie Houek, Ella Clark, Mary Smith, Nora Neal, Belle Saunders, Leaper, O.; Minnie Caldwell, Vessa Warrener, Mercerville, O. With lively gentlemen, 20 to 25; Claudie and Beatrice Merlin, Olney, Ill. With the C. C.-Virginia Savery, Courtland, Ill. With New England Indies.-I. M. Mariatt, West Lafayette, O. Prizes offered: For best C. C. photograph by Jan.

-W. A. McKee, Box 672, Creston, Iowa. Best photograph of boy or girl under 10 by Christmas, 1889.—Ella McNamar, Deer Creek, Minn. For best photograph by Christmas; autographs exchanged habitants, and has horse and electric street-cars, Wis. For best postal autograph by Dec, 1,—Leonora wheaton, hage scorners, ter apples and class make good cited octors. Wis. For best postal autograph by Dec, 1,—Leonora wheaton, hage scorners, ter apples and class make good cited octors. Wis. For best postal autograph by Dec, 1,—Leonora wheaton, hage scorners, ter apples and class in a class in the class graph, a mee drawn postal for each received Helra Alma, New Boston, Ill. For prettiest sketch The Curious Corner.

[Answers to questions will not be published withn two or three weeks after questions appear. So all will have a chance to send replies and receive ionorable mention with the number answered.] The maelstrom (millstream) off the coast of Normile and a half wide, caused by the opposing currents, and is the dread of mariners. The first American piano was made at Milton. Mass., in 1800. The first manufacturers were Joseph have sprung up in the last 35 years.

irst voyage to America were the Pinta, Santa Maria and Ninya. John Cabot discovered the main land 14 months before the landing of Columbus. 1. What story is told to illustrate Daniel Webster's the year 2000 a Leap Year; if so, why? 3. What section of the United States contains the most bondholders in proportion to population?-Jesse Beeman, Assumption, Ill. Where the warmest?-Edwyn R. Lerch, Erie, Pa.

5. Who originated the Society of Friends, and why are they called Quakers?-James Bennett, Des Moines, Iowa. BIBLE BRIGADE. Jesus, called Justus in Col., 4:11, was a co-laborer of Paul. Zeruriah was the mother of the three chief heroes of David's army. They were Abishai, Joab and

The prophecy of Jeremiah, 13:22, has been frequently applied to Jeff Davis, who tried to escape capture in a woman's disguise: "For the greatness of thine iniquity are thy steps discovered and thy heels made bare." Joash, King of Israel, wept over Elisha the prophet when he was sick. 1. Against the walls of what city were battering rams used?—Mrs. M. Williams. 2. What Queen was deposed by her son because she made an idol in the grove?-Mrs. M. J. Lerch. 3. With what was the river Jordan divided, so that the Israelites passed over on dry ground?-Mrs. L. A. Scoville.

broke his neck?-Mrs. Mary Swallow. BRAIN-RACKERS.

ITo Contributors: In sending answers name o, of THE NATIONAL TRIBUSE in which the puzzle is found. Answers of guessers may be forwarded within a week after receiving this TRIBUNE. Do not make numerical enigmas of your own names, Answers must accompany all puzzles forwarded.] ANSWERS TO PUZZLES IN TRIBUNE OCT. 18. Riddle-Dust. Coleridge Anagram-There is nothing insignifi-

ant, nothing, Philosophical Tangle-The works of God are fair for naught, Unless our eyes, in seeing, See hidden in the things the thought That animates its being. Rhyming Enigma-Paper rags,

A Famous American-James Garfield. A Passing Enigma-Annie L. Marsh. Ensign Enigma - American flag. Rhyming Charade-Heroine, FOR THE GIRL WHO TALKS OF "THE FELLOWS," Hotrw sakem teh anm, dan tawn fo ti het owlelf. -Rose Colby.

> HIDDEN TRUTH. Eth usesis fo hte fell of eb. Ew evewa litwi solore lal ruo nwo. Dna ni het delfi fo neivtda Ew epra sa ew brea wsno. -Mrs. E. S. Bragg, Fairbanks, Minn.

MY FAVORITE MONTH. In broad acres of golden grain, Fields of tall, straight sugar-cane; Blushing apples, forest trees. Draped in gaily-covered leaves; Skies as blue as famed Italia's, Apple jack and campaign rallys,

And an awe-inspiring calm. Such as precedes a mighty storm. -Annie Walter. NATIONAL ENIGMA. My first is an assertion Or something told as a fact; A word of eleven letters,

An honorable, noble act. My second a small word you will find, A preposition, too, Meaning concerning, or about— A word of letters two.

My third is a word of twelve letters, Meaning exemption from control; A synonym of liberty, And freedom from despotic rule,

My whole is an important document, Signed a hundred years ago By fifty-six of our grandest men, On a day you all well know. -Cena C. Poe, Dixon, Ill.

I am composed of 34 letters: My 5, 6, 3, 4 is a decree. 1, 7, 8, 9 is foremost. 11, 16, 24, 32, 28 is a quadruped. 33, 34, 13, 33, 27, 22 is to dictate. 29, 21, 30, 25, 15 is to long. 10, 14, 18, 15, 31 is juvenile. 23, 12, 29, 27 is a tube. 17, 26, 21, 31, 6, 24, 22 is a kind of rock. 19, 12, 16 is to chop.

SEARCHERS AND SOLVERS' MAXIM.

Whole is my advice to searchers and solvers .-G. S. Ford, West Plains, Mo. Leave hope behind. 'All ye who enter here!

So ran the dire warning which Dante read on and the good farmer: One complains of the to honorable discharge. the portals of the Inferno. So runs the cruel | bad seasons, the other rejoices in the good seaverdict of your friends if you are overtaken by | sons. the first symptoms of that terrible disease, condeath is given up in despair. But while there the more profitable. is life there is hope! Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery has cured hundreds of cases in time. But delay is dangerous. No power to pay it back. can restore a wasted lung; the "Golden Medical Discovery," however, can and will arrest

Agricultural Readers.

MOLTING OF FOWLS.

The molting season is upon us, and if care write? I am a teacher, and would like to see letters from others who follow the profession of teaching. and attention be given to hens now, especially pure-bred ones, the time may be materially shortened and the beauty of the plumage enhanced. Corn should be excluded from the er's bible or bible history.—H. C. Lucas, Prairie diet of all Asiatic breeds, especially Brahmas, City, Ill. Silk Reunion badges of Gen. Harrison's bulky food being substituted. If the four have free range they can obtain for themselves stopping there about one year; then passing such things as they require; if kept in confine- on to Kadesh-Barnea, lingering for several ment, green food must be given them. It is useless to give them a quantity of unchopped weeds, but with a large pair of shears (if nothrecious stones for every visiting card by January, ing more convenient is at hand) the weeds can be considered subdued. Then Caleb was 85 be clipped into small pieces, and the hens will devour them eagerly. The small potatoes from freshly-dng hills can also be given them. Stalks of corn and the clippings from the lawn-mower may be given in moderation; too much will cause diarrhea. In short, any green stuff which is accessible will be far better feed for them than grain, to say nothing of the economy of it. Don't lament if they stop laying during the period; the substance which would otherwise form the egg goes to make up the feathers. If a hen has such a drain upon the system the C. C.; silver dollar for best girl, half dollar best boy, by Christmas; same prizes for letters from C. when through that period and at the time when through that period, and at the time autographs with Clio Harper, Nelia Hampton, Nina Ballou and Lydia P. Day.—Edwin Lerch, Erie, Pa. Photographs with Annie Marsh Wil-Dennysville, Me. "Lips that Touch Liquor Shall of early-hatched chicks must be impressed

following year, and as it takes them three | made to him that he should have a special almonths to get their new feathers, the necessity | lotment on account of his fidelity as a spy from upon those who raise eggs for market. The hen-house should be cool at night, well ventilated, but free from drafts. An abundance of fresh water should be given, into which put a Lora E. Seabolt, Scandia, Kan. With C. C.; also small lump of brimstone. Ample means of exchange knitted lace for crochet lace.—Mollie E. dusting in dry dust entirely free from any dusting in dry dust entirely free from any Jarvis, Goshen, Iowa. With soldiers' daughters, lie to 23.—A. G. Richmond, Telegraph Operator, New Richmond, W. Va. With young ladies under 21.—John E. Sheahan, Lock Box 7, Dennysville, into their morning feed of bran and middlings occasionally. If all these details are observed and the general comfort and happiness of the fowls is considered, the period of molting will be much shortened.—American Agriculturist. GOOD APPLES, GOOD CIDER. Good cider can be made only from sound ripe

apples. After they are harvested they must lie in heaps long enough to "sweat," but must juice becomes more concentrated by this prothrough all the process of making and refining. there is any taint of mustiness or sharp vinegary acidity about the premises or apparatus, they should be thoroughly purified before they are used. Potash lye, boiling hot, is the best detergent for this purpose.

Having everything fresh and clean, grind way is the most celebrated in the world. It is a and press the apples. The cheese should be and their associates agreed to the arrangement. laid up with grass-cloth instead of straw be-Chickering and Steinway & Sons, both of which a bad flavor to the eider. Never water the cheese, as it dilutes and weakens the cider. The three ships on which Columbus made his | The juice should be strained through a fine hair sieve as it leaves the press. To still further clear the juice of specks of pomace and ck of confidence in himself as a speaker? 2. Is a strainer of canton flannel in the form of a the conditions of the promise made by the two One of these is hung over a tub, and the juice is dipped into it; thence it flows into the tub | choicest warriors. 4. Where is the coldest place in the world? and is ready to barrel .- American Agriculturist. BENEFITS OF CROP ROTATION.

Every observing farmer knows that cattle can be pastured in a field after horses, and will cattle. A similar principle applies to the raisthrive gloriously on the plant food left in the requirements of plant nutrition are not the only reasons nor the strongest ones that can be urged in favor of a strict system of erop rotation. The chief objection to planting the same crop year after year in the same ground, is that the insects and diseases affecting that crop attack it each succeeding year with increased | him for the last time. What a grand document, force. Frequently the entire soil and the for example, is the farewell address of Washwhole vicinity become overstocked with the 4. What priest fell from his seat backward and | insects and the spores of diseases injurious to that particular crop. Shifting the locality of such crop from one field to another near by can afford, at best, but partial protection in this | arerespect; and it was far preferable to select for each crop subject to insect attacks and diseases a location at the greatest possible distance from any field where that crop was grown the year before. If some such crop could be left out of the farm rotation for one or more years altogether, one might be able to starve out the insects and diseases affecting it for some years; and if by concerted action such a measure could be extended to a whole neighborhood, or | see Nu., 32:16-19; Josh., 1:16, 17. For process | day in December and east their vote for President County, old-fashioned big and clean crops might of fulfillment, see Josh., 4:12, 13.) Obedience and Vice-President. On the second Wednesday in for a time be grown again. - Exchange.

EVILS OF CLOSE PLANTING. A promising orchard of 300 trees, the property of a neighbor of mine, just beginning to bear and on which the owner realized \$900 last season, was sacrificed to the close-planting policy. The trees, which one year ago showed evidence of health and vigor, have assumed a half tribes to the two and one-half on the east another examination. Will my request be granted? sickly appearance. Cutting out every alternate tree, with a liberal dressing of fertilizers, made short work of Sihon and Og. The strugwill save the orchard if the owner has the intelligence and nerve to do it at once. But what a loss to the soil, this production of 150 trees covering "many days," (V. 3,) yea, seven years. which can only be "cut down and cast into the Of course there was much to spur on the two fire," And "the survival of the fittest" will be set back two years at least by this plan of | Jordan were not conquered the settlement on planting and then thinning an orchard. The the east side could not be maintained. We find Your pension certificate is not necessary to inscribe apple tree demands a rich, moist soil. If these that the Reubenites, Gadites and one-half conditions are furnished, it assumes large pro- | Manasseh not only paid respect to the orders of portions and gives immense yields. Why, then, Moses and Joshua, -not only faithfully helped dwarf, starve and mutilate? Is it not better the nine and one-half tribes,—but they also application on your part. to have five thrifty trees producing 50 bushels | maintained fidelity to their religious obligaof healthy, fine fruit than 50 trees with 50 bushels of wormy, knotty, gnarly specimens fit only | keeping inviolate their charge or trust as subfor pigs and thieving vagrants? In the latter | jects of Jehovah. (V. 3.) instance the soil is taxed to produce the wood | " of fifty trees instead of five. The cost of purduties as to their God. Joshua was not content Nicaragua or elsewhere. In 1851 he realously chasing, planting, etc., all contributes toward that they obey Moses and his successor. He In the first instance you will be rewarded with | Him. 3. To walk in His ways. 4. To serve satisfactory results; in the latter there will be | Him. 5. To cleave unto Him. (V. 5.) disappointment, loss of time and money, and a failure to realize when your orchard comes in blessing to his old soldiers. He commended bearing. The same results comparatively, them to God's care. He prayed God to protect though not so rapidly, manifest themselves with regard to the vine. Too close planting will in their secular as he had in their military life. sooner or later result disastrously. The proper | All this is involved in the expression "Joshua distance for setting apple trees is from 30 to 40 feet; for the grape not less than 14 to 18 feet for vigorous-growing vines. Of course varieties, methods of training, root-pruning, topdressing, etc., will modify these figures with the Israelites could not ever wholly give up setts, in which to record the military and naval regard to grapevines, but better have them too arms. They were surrounded by enemies, and histories of the comrades of that Post, viz: far apart than too closely crowded.

NOTES. - Kind treatment is an equivalent of food, - The greatest enemy of agriculture is ignorance. - The mule is hardy and handy, if not hand-

your mistakes, don't repeat them. at the edges and very thin elsewhere. honorable business. -There is this difference between the poor

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SUNDAY MEDITATION.

Practical Duties Taught by a Study of the International Sunday-school Lesson Appointed for Nov. 18. Josh., 22:1-9.

[One reading these notes should first carefully study the paragraph from the Holy Scriptures as indicated above.] SUBJECT: HONORABLE DISCHARGE OF THE

YEARS' WARS. 1. Time. The lesson is dated 2560 A. M. Caleb was

was 78 years old when the exodus ceased east | north. of Jordan. Two years were taken up by the Israelites in going from Egypt to Mt. Sinai, months. We have shown Caleb was 40 years old at Kadesh-Barnea. Forty-five years afterward the wars of Joshua against the Canaanites were so far successful that the land could years old. (14:10.) We know the exodus lasted 40 years, and two years of the exodus had passed when Caleb was 40 years old. Hence he was 38 years old when he left Egypt, and 78 years old when the exodus ceased. It is plain, therefore, that seven years were required from the close of the exodus to the practical end of the wars of Joshua in Canaan. The lesson is located at the close of the said wars. The exodus began in the year 2513 A. M. Add 2 and 38 and 7 to 2513 and we have 2560, the year A. M. of the lesson. This was about 1444 B. C. Joshua was 110 years old. (24:29.) The "many days," in verse 3, refer to the seven years of the wars against Canaan. 2. Place.

When the distribution of the lands of Canaan west of the Jordan was about to take place, Caleb reminded Joshua of the promise Kadesh-Barnea. Caleb thus approached Joshua at Gilgal. (14:6.) It is quite evident that Gilgal, between Jericho and the Jordan, remained for seven years the headquarters of the Israelites. But in the very midst of the work of allotting the territory the Israelites moved the tabernacle from Gilgal to Shiloh. (18: 1, 8, 9, 10.) It was at Shiloh that Joshua discharged the Reubenites, Gadites and half-tribe of Manasseh. (V. 9.) Shiloh was about 25 miles north of Jerusalem and about the same distance from the Gilgal near Jericho. It was in the territory afterward forming the tribe of Ephraim. In Christ's time it was in Samaria.

3. Circumstences. The exodus had been completed, covering 40 years. After reaching the east side of the Jordan opposite Jericho, the Israelites marched not be allowed to rot or become musty: the | north and vanquished the Kings Sihon and Og. (Nu., 21:21-35.) The two and one-half tribes, cess of evaporation. Any taint of mustiness in | to wit, the Reubenites, Gadites and one-half the apples will persistently cling to the cider tribe of Manasseh, were well pleased with the drawing \$30 per month. Answer. To entitle you to territory snatched from Sihon and Og. They It is an invariable rule that the better the fruit | saw the region was specially good for grazing, the better the cider. The finest grafted Win- and they had many cattle. Hence they went with the C. C.-Leonora Wheaton, Eagle's Corners, | ter apples and crabs make good cider before | to Moses and urged him to grant that section | cess going on in the juice instead of the fruit. (Nu., 32:1-5, 33.) But the nine and one-half of the Home which you desire to enter. He will If possible, it is better to keep the juice of each | tribes had aided the two and one-half to conof any C. C. home. - Edwyn R. Lerch. Erie, Pa. | variety separate. Good cider cannot be made | quer Sihon and Og, and it was only fair the Twenty-five autograph sentiments for best auto- in a musty old mill that has become soured | two and one-half should assist the nine and graph by Nov. 30.-Mand M. Frasier, New Chester, and foul with the accumulations of years. If one-half in vanquishing the territory west of the Jordan. Hence Moses pledged to the Reubenites, Gadites and one-half Manasseh the territory east of the Jordan, providing they would remain with the rest of the Israelites till the land of Canaan west of the Jordan was subdued. (Nu., 32:6, 7; 20-33.) The Reubenites | record which entitles him to the pay, but unless (Nu., 32:16-19; Josh., 1:16, 17.) But it would tween the layers of pomace. Straw is always | not do to leave wives, children, property on the | attorney's fee is deducted and sent to him direct more or less dusty, and often musty, imparting | east side wholly unprotected. Hence, we notice | but it should be understood that a claim for amendthat only 40,000 soldiers from the two and onehalf tribes crossed the Jordan. (Josh., 4:13.) We find from Nu., 26: 7, 18, 34, that there were 110,580 armed men in said two and one-half for his services in securing a change of record tribes, leaving on the east side of the Jordan whereby the officer or soldier becomes entitled to other foreign matters it should be run through | 70,580. The arrangement evidently answered bag six inches in diameter and three feet long. | and one-half tribes to Meses, and was satisfactory to Joshua. The 40,000 were probably the

The Jordan was crossed. Jericho and Ai were captured. The land in general on the the Examining Surgeon who examines him under west side was conquered. Seven years were the claim filed. required. We remember the 40,000 enlisted subsist for a time where the horses would have for their honorable discharge. That was a only during the wars. The time hence arrived starved; and that sheep will do well after the | joyous day. A sort of review was held. Though not on so large scale as the Grand Review at ing of the various farm crops. Wheat may Washington when the war of '61-'65 ended, yet it was with similar parade and emotion, soil by a corn crop; oats on that left by the | What welcomes awaited the warriors on return wheat and corn; potatoes on what was not to eastern Canaan! Shiloh was then the capitaken by the three preceding crops. But the tal of western Canaan, and thither the two and one-half tribes assembled for discharge.

4. Farewell Speech of Joshua. There is something profoundly interesting about the final address of a great General when his forces, having ended the war, gather before ington to his army about to disband and return

to their homes! In the speech of Joshua to the Reubenites,

a. Commendations.-He admits they had

Gadites and one-half tribe of Manasseh there a. Commendations. b. Exhortations. c. Benedictions.

d. Commands.

obeyed Moses and Joshua. We do not read of a single rebellion, or even of any reluctance on their part, as to the stipulations into which they entered with Moses. (On their promise, of The Electors meet in each State on the first Wednesis the first duty of soldiers, and we do not learn of a single disobedience of orders on the part of the two and one-half tribes. And this for seven | sult announced, years. We see the nature of the commands and get an idea of the work and the fidelity of said soldiers. The success in the battles on the west was due largely to the bravery of the two and My claim was rejected. Not being satisfied with one-half tribes. The help of the nine and one- my examination, I applied to the Commissioner for side was a brief service. The Israelitish army gle on the west side of the Jordan had, however, been a severe and long-continued toil. and one-half tribes; for if the west side of the Does this signify that my claim is rejected? Antions, obeying the commandments of God and

b. Exhortations.—These related to their ment to lines of interoceanic communication across swelling the contrast in the amount paid out. bade them: I. To obey Jehovah. 2. To love c. Benedictions. - Joshua gave a parting

them in their journey home, and to bless them | Laundry Works, 420 Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill. blessed them." (Vs. 6, 7.)

half tribes remained on the east side as a force all the Reubenites, Gadites and one-half Ma-- Some farming is like an old jacket-frayed | nasseh. Said 70,000 had experienced many hard-- Growing a boy on the farm is a mighty | the 40,000 to share the spoils with those who good foundation preparation of him for any remained at home. (Compare 1 Sa., 30: 24, 25.) We notice the two and one-half tribes enisted during the war, and were rightly entitled

miles wide, reaching from Mt. Hermon to the - Two horses of one kind will do as much | river. Arnon was originally Bashan and Gilead, sumption. "Leave hope behind! Your days work as four horses of another kind, and it Bashan being to the north. The half-tribe of ought not to be hard to determine which is | Manasseh took the northern part of Bashan, the tribe of Gad took the southern part of - When a man comes half a mile to borrow | Bashan and the northern part of Gilcad, and a hoe or a fork, you may depend on his coming | the tribe of Reuben had the southern part of worse than yours; and it will cure you, if taken some day to borrow money, but never coming Gilead. Coleman in his Sacred Geography says of Bashan: "It is still celebrated, as it was of old, for its fertility and exuberant vegetation." And Gilead has always been famous for its pro-

The strip of land east of the Jordan, 15 to 20

5. The Departure.

Having listened to the farewell address of their General (Joshua), the 40,000 set out for Gilead and Bashan. They had not far to go. In a straight line the Jordan was only about 15 miles. The whole strip shared by the two and one-half tribes was only about 120 miles long and about 15 to 20 wide. Some could have reached home the same day if they set out early REUBENITES, GADITES AND HALF-TRIBE OF and traveled vigorously. Within a few days all MANASSEH AT THE CLOSE OF THE SEVEN | were again with their families. We do not know how they crossed the Jordan. Adam Clarke says that except at harvest time the "river was easily fordable." They were not in such haste as when they first crossed the 40 years old at Kadesh-Barnea. (14:7.) He Jordan, and could frame rafts or rude boats. was 85 years of age at the close of the wars un- The season of the year may have been differder Joshua for subduing Canaan. (14:10.) He ent. Then, they crossed much further to the

6. Suggestions. 1. As to soldiers, -a. Obey orders. b. Do not desert, but wait patiently for an honorable discharge. They can then leave with blessing, plaudits. c. Obey all subordinate officers-Joshna as well as Moses. d. Stop fighting soon as they can honorably. e. Returning home, do not become immoral, but Christian. 2. As Christians to God.—a. Keep his commandments-obey him, b. Serve him with heart and soul. c. Love him. d. Walk in his

ways-imitate him. 3. Keep promises. 4. Study God's Word, and so be able to keep his orders. 5. We as Christians are soldiers, with Christ

OUR CORRESPONDENTS.

Replies to Questions on a Variety of Interesting Sultierts.

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I. R., Cannelton, Ind .- I had a claim allowed for commutation of rations Aug. 3, 1888. Has approprintion been made for that class of claims? Answer. Congress, prior to its adjournment, appropriated the funds necessary to pay all claims for pay, bounty, lost horses, commutation of rations, etc., which had been allowed by the accounting officers of the Treasury, up to Sept. 27, 1888. Such claims are being paid every day. Those claims which have been allowed since that date will have to await an appropriation by the next session of R. M., Thomaston, Conn.-From the best statistics

attainable, there are something over 1,000,000 Union soldiers living at the present time. M. L. D., Lakeview, Ore. - Is there a law allowing a soldier of the late war to peddle notions and wares through the country without taking out a peddler's license? Answer. There is no general law on the subject, the matter being one regulated by the several States. Regarding your own State, you can ascertain by inquiring of any reputable lawyer.

W. B. D., Miller, Mass.—Is there any law which would give me \$50 a month for paralysis of Hmbs so that I am totally unable to walk? I am now

\$50 per month, you would have to prove that you require the regular aid and attendance of another erson. If you can show such a degree of disabil ity, you should apply to the Commissioner of Pensions for an increase. To obtain admission to a J. A. D., Brighton Park, Ill.-1. Soldier makes application for officer's back pay. His claim is acted on and goes through the Adjutant-General's Office. Does that settle the claim? 2. Can an attorney claim his fee of \$10 in advance? 3, in case the claim is allowed is not the attorney's fee sent to him direct? 4. Can an attorney claim 10 per cent. of the amount allowed, in addition to his fee of \$10? Answer. I. That is merely an amendment of

of the Treasury, nothing will result. 2. In a chain of that character, yes. 3. In the claim for pay, the ment of record and a claim for pay, under said amendment of record, are two separate claims, filed in different Departments. 4. For the reasons just stated an attorney can exact a reasonable fee pay, and he can then be allowed the legal fee of 10 per cent, for prosecuting the claim for pay, N. M. M., Callaway, Neb .- The only way to determine whether or not you are entitled to an increase of pension is to file an application with the mmissioner of Pensions and have it officially cted upon. In all claims for increase the right of

claim is made for the pay with the Second Auditor

S. O., Castalia, Iqua.-I received notice last April that my claim for back pay was allowed. When may I expect my money? Answer. See reply to another correspondent on the same subject in this column. You may expect payment at any time. -. -., -.... Mass. -Soldier died in the service leaving a widow and child, who also died the same year. His mother having died before he entered the service, is his dependent father entitled to pension? Answer. No; because he left a widow sur-

L. L. H., Arcola, Itt.-You are only entitled to pay and rank from the date when your commission gave you rank, and that is the date from which you have been paid. You can recover nothing ad-

G. W. S., -, -The circular referred to is correct. Any soldier who enlisted before April 1, 1864, and was discharged for wounds or by reason of the close of the war, and who had previously erved nine months, is entitled to the veteran ounty of \$100, less so much of it as may have been already paid him. The nine months' service need not have been consecutive, nor in the war of the rebellion; but it must be understood that a soldier, o be entitled to veteran bounty, must have enlisted twice. His second enlistment made him a veteran. Electoral Votes.-The President and Vice-President are elected by a College of Electors, each State furnishing as many Electors as it is entitled to have Senators and Representatives in Congress of the United States. The Constitution provides that they shall be appointed in such manner as the respective Legislatures may direct. These Electors are designated in each of the States by popular vote at an election held every four years on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November. February the certificates of such votes thus cast are opened by the President of the Senate, in the presence of both Houses of Congress, and the re-

R. C. W., Oxford, Mich,-I received an order from the Pension Office for an examination for increase of pension. I was examined by only one member of the Board, only two members being present. Answer, Probably yes.

J. S. S., Helena, Mont,-My pension certificate reads, "This pension for total deafness." I wrote a letter to the Commissioner of Pensions, asking to be increased under the new law, and inclosed my certificate. The certificate was returned to me with a slip, on which was printed, "You will retain your name at the increased rate. Such claims are eing disposed of as rapidly as possible, and in due time you will be notified that you are entitled to receive the increase of pension without any further A. J., Port Edwards, Wis .- What was the Clayton-Bulwer treaty? Answer, It was a treaty with Secretary of State of the United States, in 1850, which guaranteed the neutrality of and encourage-

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